SICHEN LI

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Political Economy: Technology Governance, Economic Statecraft, FDI
Statistical Methods: Causal Inference, Network Analysis, Text Analysis, Survey Experiment, Elite Interviews
Geographic Areas of Expertise: China, the United States

EMPLOYMENT

Princeton University   Princeton, NJ
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance   2024-2025

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego   La Jolla, CA
Ph.D., Political Science   June 2024

- Dissertation: The Political Economy of Trade and Investment Restrictions in High-Tech Sectors
- Dissertation Committee: Megumi Naoi (Chair), David Lake, Barry Naughton, Molly Roberts, Weiyi Shi

Duke University   Durham, NC
Master of Arts, Political Science   May 2018

- ***Best Master's Thesis Award***, Department of Political Science, Duke University, 2018

China University of Political Science and Law   Beijing, China
Bachelor of Laws, International Politics   July 2016

PUBLICATION

"The Geopolitical Consequences of COVID-19: Assessing Hawkish Mass Opinion in China," with Joshua Byun and D.G. Kim, *Political Science Quarterly*, Vol.136, No.4, 2021.

WORKING PAPERS

Dissertation:

1. *Job Market Paper:* "Technological Interdependence and Securitization of Cross-Border Investment: Evidence from CFIUS Reviews."

2. "Does National Security Trump Business Interests? Evidence from a Survey Experiment with Chinese Firm Managers."

3. "Return-on-Investment Uncertainty, Commitment Problem, and Trade Disputes in High-Tech Sectors."

Other Works:

4. "Interpersonal Expression of Anti-Foreign Sentiment: Evidence from a Parallel Survey in the US and China," with Weiyi Shi, *Revise & Resubmit at International Studies Quarterly*.

5. "How Political Tensions Fuel Cross-Border Investment: American Consumer Hostility and Mergers and Acquisitions by Chinese and Japanese Firms," with Megumi Naoi.

6. "Public Health Nationalism: COVID Policy Preferences in China and the United States," with Karen Ferree, Weiyi Shi, and Yiqing Xu.

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Research Grants

· Dean's Office Graduate Research Grant   2024
· Humane Studies Fellowship   2024
· Ichimore Student Research Award   2023
· The 21st Century China Center Grant, with Megumi Naoi   2021
· UCSD Summer Research Grant   2018

Travel Grants

· Politics of Industrial Policy Conference Travel Grant   2023
· UCSD Department of Political Science Travel Grant   2022
· APSA Travel Grant   2022
· New Directions in Chinese Survey Research Conference Travel Grant (Declined)   2022

Awards

· Best Master's Thesis Award, Duke University Political Science Department   2018
· Outstanding Paper Award, the 13th CUPL Academic Ten Star Paper Competition   2015

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

∗Chair, ⋆Discussant, †Presenter
Annual Political Networks Conference and Workshops (PolNet)   2024 ∗†
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting   2022†,2023 ∗ ⋆ †
International Political Economy Society Annual Conference   2022†,2023†
Politics of Industrial Policy Conference   2023⋆†
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference   2023†
New Directions in Chinese Survey Research Conference   2022†
The United States Institute of Peace Webinar   2022†

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Survey Design and Distribution
Coauthor, China Data Lab, La Jolla, CA, 2021-2022

· Designed and distributed surveys incorporating vignette experiments to examine the determinants of anti-foreign sentiments in China and the United States, as part of a coauthored project with Weiyi Shi
· Implemented a conjoint experiment to study how nationalism affected the Chinese and American public's evaluation of the governments' COVID-19 policies, as part of the coauthored project with Karen Ferree, Weiyi Shi, and Yiqing Xu

Original Data Collection
Author, Ph.D. Dissertation, La Jolla, CA, 2021-2023

· Developed an original dataset of 700 national security reviews on foreign investment in the US by using web scraping and leading a team of student coders

Elite Interviews
Author, Ph.D. Dissertation, China, Summer 2023

· Designed questionnaires and conducted field interviews with 13 Chinese firm managers and experts

SELECTED TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Political Economy (International and Domestic)

· INTL 102. Economics, Politics, and International Change   Winter 2022
· POLI 100E. Interest Group Politics   Winter 2020
· GPCO 412. Globalization, the World System, and the Pacific   Fall 2020

International Security and World Politics

· POLI 12D. Introduction to Political Science: International Relations   Fall 2019, 2021, 2022; Spring 2023
· POLI 147B. Russian-American Relations   Winter 2021
· POLI 142I. National and International Security   Spring 2020
· POLI 142J. National Security Strategy   Winter 2019

Statistics

· POLI 5D. Introduction to Social Data Analytics (Associate-Instructor)   Winter 2024
· POLI 30D. Political Inquiry   Spring 2022

Undergraduate Advising

· Research Apprenticeship Program   2022, 2023, 2024

SKILLS

Computer Skills	R, STATA, Python, Latex
Languages	English (Fluent), Chinese (Native)
Statistics	Network Analysis, Text Analysis, Bayesian Statistics, Causal Inference, Maximum Likelihood Estimation, and OLS

REFERENCES

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